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Disposition of U. S. Army Air Force Personnel in U. S. Army Hospitals

1. Circular Letter No 109, Off Ch Surg, subject, "Disposition of U. S. Army Air Force Personnel in U. S. Army Hospitals in UK", 1 September 1944, and Sec III, Circular Letter No 125, Off Ch Surg, 18 October 1944, are rescinded.

2. U. S. Army Air Force Personnel, including Arms and Services Personnel on duty with Air Forces, when discharged to duty from hospitals will be disposed of in accordance with the following, except as provided in par 3 and 4 below.

a. Personnel "attached" to the Detachment of Patients.

- (1) Hospitals in United Kingdom. Officers and enlisted men, flying and non-flying, will be returned to the unit to which assigned.
- (2) Hospitals on the Continent. Officers and enlisted men, flying and non-flying, will be returned to the unit to which assigned through the 134th Replacement Battalion, APO 149.

b. Personnel "attached unassigned" to the Detachment of Patients.

- (1) Hospitals in England, Scotland and Wales. Officers and enlisted men, flying and non-flying, when discharged to duty will be transferred to the Casual Pool of the 70th Replacement Depot (AAF), AAF Station 594, APO 652.
- (2) Hospitals in Northern Ireland. Officers and enlisted men, flying and non-flying, when discharged to duty will be transferred to the unit to which assigned prior to admittance.
- (3) Hospitals on the Continent. Officers and enlisted men, flying and non-flying, will be transferred to the Casual Pool of the 134th Replacement Battalion, APO 149.

3. Army Nurse Corps personnel on duty with Army Air Forces, whether "attached" or "attached unassigned" to the Detachment of Patients, when discharged to duty will be returned to the unit to which assigned when admitted to the hospital.

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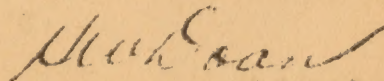
4. Women's Army Corps personnel on duty with the Army Air Forces.

a. Members of Women's Army Corps, officers and enlisted women, on duty with units of the Army Air Forces when discharged to duty will be disposed of as follows:

- (1) Personnel "attached" to the Detachment of Patients in Hospitals will be returned to the unit to which assigned when admitted to the hospital.
- (2) Personnel "attached unassigned" to Detachment of Patients in Hospital in the United Kingdom will be transferred to Casual Pool, 70th Replacement Depot (AAF), AAF Station 594, APO 652.
- (3) Personnel "attached unassigned" to Detachment of Patients in Hospital on the Continent will be transferred to WAC Detachment Hqs, ASC - U. S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe (Main) AAF Station 379, APO 633.

5. An "Abstract Record of Hospitalization" similar in form to the Appendix attached will be prepared in quadruplicate on all flying personnel returned to duty, and on all personnel returning to duty from an "attached unassigned" status. The "Abstract Record of Hospitalization" (4 copies) together with Individual Service Record, original or temporary (or in case of officers, Form 66-1), allied papers, and six (6) copies of the Special Orders transferring the individual to a replacement depot or to his unit, will accompany the individual in a sealed envelope and will be delivered to the Commanding Officer concerned on arrival. An exception will be made when records or allied papers contain statements which are detrimental to the individual. In such instances the records and allied papers will be forwarded by the most expeditious means other than entrusting them to the individual. Statements as to date and method of forwarding, together with copies of Special Orders will accompany individual and will be delivered to Commanding Officer concerned on arrival. For the sake of clarity, allied papers are those records and papers prepared for the administration of patients while in hospital, plus such other records or papers received by the hospital from the patient's unit. It is essential that records and allied papers be received by the Commanding Officer of the Replacement Depot or unit concurrently with, or as soon as possible after, the arrival of the individual. Delay in forwarding these records results in loss of valuable man days by delaying assignment of personnel to appropriate duties.

By order of the Chief Surgeon:



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Appendix "A" attached.

APPENDIX "A"

ABSTRACT RECORD OF HOSPITALIZATION

TO: Surgeon _____ Station _____ APO _____

PATIENT: _____
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Initial) (ASN)

(Rank) (Branch of Service) (Organization)

HOSPITAL: _____ DATE OF ADMISSION _____

DIAGNOSIS: _____

Changes, additional diagnoses, sequelae, operations, etc., with dates:

DISPOSITION _____ DATE OF DISPOSITION _____

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(Reverse side for comments of Flight
Surgeon Advisor)

